

REBECCA P. QUINT.

JANUARY 27, 1897.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. SULLOWAY, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany S. 3451.]

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (S. 3451) granting a pension to Rebecca P. Quint, having considered the same, respectfully adopt the report of the Senate Committee on Pensions and recommend the passage of the bill without amendment.

[Senate Report No. 1207, Fifty-fourth Congress, second session.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (S. 3451) granting a pension to Rebecca P. Quint, have examined the same, and report:

Rebecca P. Quint is the widow of Alonzo H. Quint, late chaplain Second Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, who served from May 11, 1861, to May 23, 1864. He never claimed pension under the general law, but on September 4, 1890, filed a claim under the act of June 27, 1890, for impaired eyesight, disease of heart, and chills and fever, and was granted a pension of \$12 per month for impaired sight, malarial poisoning, and disease of heart. John R. Ham, M. D., of Dover, N. H., under date of January 9, 1891, testified that—

“Rev. Dr. Quint is totally incapacitated from the exposure of his army life for the performance of manual labor; that he has defective vision, malarial poisoning, and disease of heart; that the affection of the heart has shown itself for years past by shortness of breath upon exertion such as ascending a gentle rise in the road or side-walk, by pain in the region of the chest during the same muscular exertion, and by a steadily increasing inability to do manual labor, until the inability has at last become total. This incapacity for manual labor has been total for several years—at least five years.”

At his medical examination, November 4, 1891, he was rated seventeen-eighteenths for impaired sight, eight-eighteenths for malaria, and second grade (total disability for manual labor) for disease of heart. He died November 4, 1896, from disease of heart, leaving his widow no property, income, or means of support. She was married to him in 1854, and so was his wife during the war, and is now 67 years of age.

This bill proposes to pension her at \$20 per month, which is the total of his rank, and your committee recommend its passage with the following amendment:

After the word “hereby,” in line 3, insert “authorized and.”